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SUBJECT: HEARINGS ON PRODUCTS PROPOSED FOR ADDITION TO GSP

REF: A) STATE 187063, B) STATE 122667

1. EMBASSY NOTIFIED GOG ABOUT ITC HEARINGS ON POSSIBLE ADDITION OF EIGHTEEN ITEMS TO GSP LIST. BOTH GOG DIRECTORATE OF INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL TRADE AND THE SEMI-AUTONOMOUS EXPORT PROMOTION AGENCY, GUATEMALA, HAVE SEPARATELY WRITTEN THE EMBASSY EXPRESSING STRONG INTEREST IN THE ADDITION OF TEN HORTICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND FISH PACKED IN CONTAINERS OF NOT OVER FIFTEEN POUNDS NET WEIGHT(TSUS 111.70). GUATEMALA CURRENTLY EXPORTS NONE OF THESE PRODUCTS BUT DOES HARVEST AND PRODUCE MANY OF THEM. EXPORTATION OF NEW AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS COULD HAVE SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON GUATEMALAN ECONOMY WHERE AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING AND HUNTING STILL CONTRIBUTES MORE THAN 27 PERCENT TO GDP. CONSEQUENTLY, BOTH GOG AGENCIES ASKED EMBASSY TO FORWARD THIS INFO TELEGRAPHICALLY TO ITC IN VIEW OF AUGUST 13 DEADLINE.

2. FOLLOWING IS LIST OF ITEMS BY TSUS NUMBER WHICH GOG

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WOULD LIKE TO SEE INCLUDED ON GSP. LAST FIVE AREA OF

PARTICULAR INTEREST. SESAME SEED (TSUS 176.49) HAS
BECOME MAJOR CROP. FURTHERMORE, GOG WOULD LIKE TO
INCREASE EXPORTATION OF FRESH AND FROZEN, NON-TRADITIONAL
VEGETABLES TO THE US MARKET.

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